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# INSTRUCTIONS (Revised 06/03) FORM C-7 NOTICE OF PRE-ELECTION CONTRIBUTIONS

# WHO IS REQUIRED TO FILE A FORM C-7?

In accordance with Montana Code Annotated § 13-37-226:

- any statewide candidate or political committee must file a Form C-7 if \$200 or more is received from a single source between the 10th day before an election and the date of the election;
- any other candidate or political committee must file a Form C-7 if \$100 or more is received from a single source between the 17<sup>th</sup> day before an election and the date of the election.

#### WHEN MUST A FORM C-7 BE FILED?

- Statewide candidates or political committees must file within 24 hours after receipt of a contribution of \$200 or more.
- All other candidates or political committees must file within 48 hours after receipt of a contribution of \$100 or more.

### WHERE MUST A FORM C-7 FILED?

- One copy is to be filed with the Commissioner of Political Practices at the address above.
- One copy is to be filed with the Election Administrator of the candidate's resident county or, in the case of a political committee, in the county where the committee has its headquarters.
- One copy is to be retained for the candidate's or political committee's records.

## ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT

All contributions reported on a Form C-7

<u>MUST BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT FINANCIAL REPORT.</u> \*

Form C-5 for candidates; Form C-6 for political committees